accrue to our people, be proper to pledge for the State of Maryland the dedication of the necessary land to the United States Government for the purposes required. As will be seen, by the accompanying document, a bill appropriating one million five hundred thousand dollars for this purpose has already been introduced in the Senate of the United States by Senator Gorman, and I deem it of peculiar importance that your bodies should take prompt and appropriate steps looking to the accomplishment of the desired object.

Respectfully submitted,

LLOYD LOWNDES, Governor.

and

Preamble.

WHEREAS, All said matters so reported by the Secretary of the Navy to the President, and by the President so reported to Congress, and so recited in said Senate Resolution, Senate Bill and Memorial, and in said special message of the Governor of this State, are of the highest State and National importance, entitling them to the serious attention and immediate action of the General Assembly of Maryland and of Congress; therefore.

Requested to take imme-diate action in the matter.

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, be and they are hereby respectfully requested to take immediate action in the matter of the said needed improvement of the Severn river, and of the establishment thereon of a National Naval Dry Dock, as described and designated in said Senate Bill No. 2778, and in said Senate Document No. 21, Fifty-fifth Congress, second session, and to this end that Congress, now in session, may make an appropriation of money adequate to the due completion of said improvement of said river, and of the construction of said National Navy Dry Dock, as the same are recited in said Senate Bill No. 2778, and in said Senate Document No. 21.

Urge upon Congress the due im-

Be it further resolved, That the Senators and Representatives now in Congress from this State be and they are hereby respectfully requested to zealously urge upon their respective Houses the due importance of said national works, as recited portance of Houses the due importance of said proper ways to aid in said works in said Senate Bill No. 2778, and in all proper ways to aid in securing during the Fifty-fifth Congress an appropriation of money adequate to the final completion of all thereof.

> Be it still further resolved, That in view of the great advantage which would accrue to our people, the General